



To Professor Goldziker

Upon him be greeting and praise!

He is God!

O thou learned scholar worthy of  
every respect!

From the day that the fever of  
separation attained to a high degree  
and the fire of remoteness <sup>between veins and arteries</sup> blazed forth,  
I have experienced the greatest longing  
to meet thee another time - so that  
I may associate with thee. Verily  
the sweetness of thy conversation  
is always in my taste and excites  
my yearning to behold thy face,  
to look in thy countenance and  
to be intoxicated with thy wine.  
Therefore through this letter I  
express my gratefulness to you  
and ever expect to receive your  
letters conveying the good news  
of your happiness and attainment

to your most great desire. After a long absence, during these days I have reached Port Said, I shall live here for awhile till I am rested from the fatigue of the journey.

I forward to you a Persian rug as a keepsake of our past friendship and I beg of you to accept it.

Upon thee be greeting and praise!  
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